V

ELECTION TO THE SENATE OF THE ANDHRA UNIVERSITY.

* The hon. the President :— "I have to announce that Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao was on 3rd December 1929 declared duly elected to the Senate of the Andhra University by the non-official Members resident within the University area."

VI

THE MALABAR TENANCY BILL.

* The hon. the President :—" I have to read to the Council the message of His Excellency the Governor regarding the Malabar Tenancy Bill. The message runs as follows :—

'I have given careful consideration to the reports of the discussions in the Legislative Council and to representations that have been made to me by deputations and otherwise in respect of the Malabar Tenancy Bill which was passed by the Legislative Council on the 15th October 1929 and have subjected the provisions of that Bill to a thorough examination. As a result of such examination, while fully recognizing the care the Council has already bestowed on the Bill, I have come to the conclusion that changes are expedient in respect of certain clauses of the Bill. I accordingly return the parts of the Bill specified below, to the Legislative Council under section 81-A (1) of the Government of India Act for its reconsideration, together with the amendments, appended hereto, which I recommend. I attach also a memorandum of my reasons for the amendments.

Parts of the Bill returned.

Clause 7, sub-clause (3),
do. (4)—the following words at the end : " and also as regards pepper where it is not the principal crop on the land ".

Clause 13,
Do. 14,
Do. 15,
Do. 18,
Do. 28,
Do. 40, sub-clause (2), line, 3 figure " 13 ".
Do. 43 do. (1) (*a*), line 2, figure " 14 ".
Do. 43 do. (1) (*b*) do. do.
Do. 50 do. (2), line 2, figure " 15 ".
Do. 51

[a] " The amendments and the memorandum of reasons for the same have already been circulated to the Members and I do not propose to read them.

" Now, under the Standing Orders, I have to put the amendments to the vote of the House."

11-30 a.m. * Diwan Bahadur B. Muniswami Nayudu :—" Sir, I move that the consideration of the parts returned and the amendments recommended be adjourned till to-morrow. We wish to consult the leaders of the other parties and come to some understanding with them about these amendments."

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[a] Printed as Appendix XI on pages 152-155 infra.

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* The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" I have no objection to the adjournment."

* Diwan Bahadur R. N. Arogyaswami Mudaliyar :—" I have also no objection, Sir."

* The hon. the President :—" I take it that it is the pleasure of the House to have these amendments taken up for consideration as the first item to-morrow."

The consideration of the amendments was accordingly postponed till the next day.

VII

DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS FOR 1929-30.

Grant VI. Irrigation—Reserved.

* The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" On the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor, I move that the Government be granted a further sum not exceeding Rs. 300 under Grant VI—Irrigation—Reserved.

" Sir, this sum of Rs. 300 is made up of three token sums of Rs. 100 each. The first sum of Rs. 100 relates to the diversion of a portion of the Gowtami right bank in the Ubalanka and Ravulpalem limits. This portion was seriously eroded during the floods of September last and it is necessary that steps should be taken to prevent further erosion. For this reason it is proposed to spend Rs. 10,000 during the current year. The total cost of the work is Rs. 35,840.

" The second item relates to the protection of the left bank of the Akhanda Godavari. This is generally washed out every year and the measures taken from time to time are found to be inadequate. It is therefore proposed to construct two stone groynes so that the current may be diverted towards the right arm and to pitch the margin and revet the slope. The total cost of the works is Rs. 12,500 of which we propose to spend Rs. 8,000 during the current year.

" The third item relates to the diversion of the upland drainage above the Cauvery and the Vennar regulators in Tanjore. The drainage from an area of 22 square miles enters the old Vennar and thence flows into the Vennar above Katchamangalam anicut. This upland drainage brings a large volume of water during the north-east monsoon and consequently the cultivated areas under the Vennar and its branches suffer badly from submersion. It should be brought under control and diverted into the Cauvery above the Cauvery-Vennar regulators by excavating a channel from the old Vennar course across the Cauvery right bank. It is very desirable that the work should be carried out at once. The construction of the new Grand Anicut Canal of the Cauvery-Mettur Project cannot be completed until this is done. It is therefore proposed to carry out the work as soon as possible. The total cost is estimated to be Rs. 2,01,700 out of which a sum of Rs. 3,000 is likely to be spent during the current year."

The demand was put and carried and the grant was made.

Grant XII. General Administration—Miscellaneous.

* The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" Sir, on the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor, I move that the Government be granted a further sum not exceeding Rs. 30,000 under Grant XII—General Administration—Miscellaneous.